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DATE: 23 FEBRUARY 1968

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(WEATHER)

1. THE FOLLOWING IS A GENERAL RECAP OF THE BLACK SHIELD OPERATIONS FROM A WEATHER STANDPOINT. THE SUMMARY IS THROUGH MSN BX6851. A TOTAL OF 51 MISSIONS WERE ALERTED AND 26 WERE FLOWN. OF THE MSNS CANCELLED FOR WEATHER 10 WERE CANCELLED ON THE R-233 AMND FORECAST, 6 ON THE R-235 FORECAST, 1 ON THE R-235 AMND FORECAST AND 3 ON 417 INFORMATION. IN ADDITION, TWO MSNS WERE RECALLED ON 417 INFORMATION. THREE OTHER MSNS WERE CANCELLED FOR REASONS OTHER THAN WEATHER.

2. OF THE 26 MSNS FLOWN, 17 HAD WEATHER AS FORECAST WITH AN AVERAGE OF 88% OF PROGRAMED COVERAGE ACQUIRED. TWO MSNS HAD BETTER THAN FORECAST WEATHER WITH 95% OF PROGRAMED COVERAGE ACQUIRED AND 7 MSNS HAD WORSE THAN FORECAST WEATHER WITH 38% OF PROGRAMED COVERAGE ACQUIRED.

3. IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE OVERALL RECAP THE FOLLOWING IS A

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## DETAILED RECAP OF ALL MSNS SINCE 1 DECEMBER 1967:

MISSION	DATE	PLACE	RESULTS	PERCENT PROGRAMED COVERAGE OBTAINED
6737	8 DEC	CAMBODIA	WORSE THAN FORECAST	43
6738	10 DEC	CAMBODIA	AS FORECAST	100
6739	15 DEC	NVN	AS FORECAST	100
6740	16 DEC	NVN	AS FORECAST	75
6741	23 DEC	NVN	CANCELLED ON R-233A	--
6842	4 JAN	NVN	AS FORECAST	100
6843	5 JAN	NVN	AS FORECAST	100
6844	7 JAN	NVN	CANCELLED ON R-235	--
6845	20 JAN	NVN	CANCELLED ON 417	--
6846	21 JAN	NVN	CANCELLED ON R-233A	--
6847	26 JAN	NK	AS FORECAST	100
6848	30 JAN	NVN	CANCELLED ON 417	--
6849	10 FEB	NVN	CANCELLED ON R-235	--
6850	15 FEB	NK	CANCELLED OTHER THAN WEATHER	--

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6851	16 FEB	NVN	WORSE THAN FORECAST (RECALLED AFTER 1ST PASS DUE TO WEATHER)	---

4. BASED ON [ ] INFORMATION, THERE WERE FIVE DAYS OF CAT III OR BETTER WEATHER IN SOME PART OF THE PRIORITY AREAS THAT WERE NOT FORECAST.

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